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USA	US 5 722 290		03/03/1998
USA	"A PLANAR CAPACITIVE PRECISION GAUGE FOR FOR LIQUID-LEVEL AND LEAKAGE DETECTION" IEEE TRANSACTIONS ON INSTRUMENTATION AND MEASUREMENT, US, IEEE INC. NY, VOL. 46, NO.2, PAGES 644-646, XP000197702		04/01/1997

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The above recited references taken alone or in combination are believed neither to anticipate or to render obvious the present application.

Consideration of the reference document during the examination of the present application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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